



**ST. DAVID'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Liturgy of the Word

November 29, 2020

9:00 a.m.

- Celebrant** The Rev. Chad McCall, Associate Priest
- Preacher** The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector
- Music** Mark Wischkaemper, Director of Music, Bethell Hall  
Eric Mellenbruch, Associate Director of Music + organist  
Kate Winchester, mezzo soprano

☸ The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and  
in thanksgiving for her family by Ann Moody. ☸

## WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today. Even though we are in a new phase of church life, we are committed to offering a meaningful Sunday worship experience for all who tune in to our virtual services (Liturgy of the Word at 9 a.m. and Compline at 8 p.m. on Sundays). Formation for children, youth, and adults is offered after the morning service beginning at 10 a.m. You can find links to the children and youth formation at [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org), and adults can register at [The Abbey at St. David's](#).

We miss seeing you in person and long for the day when we can be back together. Until then, we hold you in our hearts, and hope you enjoy the service.

## NEW TO ST. DAVID'S?

If you are new to St. David's, we especially welcome you! If you want more information about the church, please complete the guest card on the [Newcomers](#) page of our website. Amy Moehnke, our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, will get back to you very soon!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, you can add a comment online during the service or send them to [prayers@stdave.org](mailto:prayers@stdave.org).

## STAY CONNECTED

Please connect with us to receive updates on events and church announcements.

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# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**PRELUDE:** I will wait

Mumford and Sons

## INTROIT

Antiphon:

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you have I trusted: let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies exult over me. For none who look to you shall be put to shame.

Verse:

Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths: lead me in your truth and teach me.

*Psalm 25.1-4*

## WELCOME

### HYMN 59

☒ **Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding**

*Merton*



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing: 'Christ is nigh,' it seems to say;  
 2 Wak-ened by the sol-ern warn-ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;  
 3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, comes with par-don down from heav'n;  
 4 so when next he comes with glo-ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,  
 5 Hon-or, glo-ry, might, and bless-ing to the Fa-ther and the Son,



1 'Cast a-way the works of dark-ness, O ye chil-dren of the day.'  
 2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis-pel-ling, shines up-on the morn-ing skies.  
 3 let us haste, with tears of sor-row, one and all to be for-giv'n.  
 4 may he with his mer-cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.  
 5 with the ev-er-last-ing Spi-rit while un-end-ing a-ges run.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

☒ **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP, p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

☒ **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

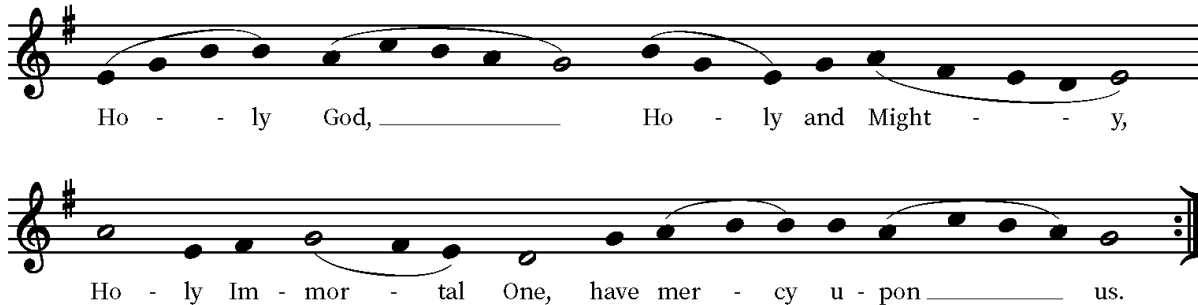
### ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

☒ **Amen.**

☒ **TRISAGION** *(Please join in singing.)*

*Veni, veni Emmanuel*



Ho - - ly God, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly and Might - - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy u - pon \_\_\_\_\_ us.

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

## COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

BCP, P. 211

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ✠ **Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Isaiah 64:1-9

Lori Gainer

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—  
as when fire kindles brushwood

and the fire causes water to boil—

to make your name known to your adversaries,  
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From ages past no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,

no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who works for those who wait for him.

You meet those who gladly do right,  
those who remember you in your ways.

But you were angry, and we sinned;  
because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.

We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls on your name,  
or attempts to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.

Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,  
and do not remember iniquity forever.  
Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSE

Kate Winchester  
BCP, P. 702

Psalm 80:1-7,16-18 *(Please read responsively by whole verse.)*

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

✠ **2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

✠ **4 O LORD God of hosts, \*  
how long will you be angered  
despite the prayers of your people?**

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; \*  
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

✠ **6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, \*  
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

✠ **16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**

17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

✠ **18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

**EPISTLE:** 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Ben Sargent

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 68** *(Please stand and sing.)*

✘ **Rejoice! rejoice, believers**

*Llangloffan*



1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!  
2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - plen - ish them with oil;  
3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.  
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;  
The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;  
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.  
rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride - groom is at hand!  
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

✘ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**GOSPEL:** Mark 13:24-37

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,  
and the moon will not give its light,  
and the stars will be falling from heaven,  
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.

Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON:** The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector

**THE NICENE CREED** *(Please stand.)*

**BCP, P. 358**

✠ **We believe in one God,**  
    **the Father, the Almighty,**  
    **maker of heaven and earth,**  
    **of all that is, seen and unseen.**  
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**  
    **the only Son of God,**  
    **eternally begotten of the Father,**  
    **God from God, Light from Light,**  
    **true God from true God,**  
    **begotten, not made,**  
    **of one Being with the Father.**  
    **Through him all things were made.**  
    **For us and for our salvation**  
        **he came down from heaven:**  
    **by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
        **he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,**  
        **and was made man.**  
    **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**  
        **he suffered death and was buried.**  
    **On the third day he rose again**  
        **in accordance with the Scriptures;**  
        **he ascended into heaven**  
            **and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
        **He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**  
        **and his kingdom will have no end.**  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**  
    **who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**  
    **With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**  
    **He has spoken through the Prophets.**  
    **We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**  
    **We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**  
    **We look for the resurrection of the dead,**  
        **and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



*Intercessor*

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our Bishops; Alinafe, Bishop of Southern Malawi; for all bishops and other ministers; and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor; Steve, our Mayor; and Joe, our President-Elect; that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for those who are suffering from Covid-19, those who are caring for all the ill, and those providing supplies to the caregivers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Evelyn Erickson, Jacque McCall, Allyson Womac Peerman, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

✠ **Kyrie eleison.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed David of Wales, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

✠ **To you, O Lord our God.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People are invited to offer their own intercessions.*

*Celebrant*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. ✠ **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

**ANTHEM:** Once he came in blessing

arr. J.S. Bach and others

Based on Hymn 53.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

✠ **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

arr. Mark Wischkaemper

Our God in hea-ven; Hal-lowed be your name. Your King-dom come; your

6

will \_\_\_\_\_ be done on Earth\_ as in hea - - ven. Give

11

us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give our sins as we for - give those

16

who sin a - gainst us. Save us! Save us from the time \_\_\_\_\_ of

21

trial. And de - liv - er us from e - - - vil. For the King - dom, the

26

po - wer, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- As we all share concern in the rising infection rates of Covid-19, please know that we are taking all necessary measures to reduce the risk to the clergy, musicians, and staff involved in the recording of our services, as well as those participating in Communion Groups, baptisms, funerals, and weddings. We are adhering to all guidelines established by the City of Austin and by the Diocese of Texas.
- Our new clergy-led virtual Sunday Bible study begins today. Join Father Chad for a discussion about “The Angels”. In the coming weeks, Mother Katie will discuss “The Ladies”, Father Chuck will discuss “The Fellows”, and Father Cameron will conclude the series with a discussion on “The Babies”. You can register for the Zoom link from the calendar on the St. David’s web site, and it will work for one, any, or all of the discussions.
- On Mondays from November 30 to December 21 at 7:30 p.m., we will have a one-hour virtual service of prayer, music, and conversation for those for whom grief is present. You can get the link from the web site and attend one, any, or all of the services.
- Our December Outreach ministries are officially up-and-running! We have two this year: Simple Gifts and the Holiday Assistance Program. Simple Gifts lets you financially support a charity in honor of a loved one, and the Holiday Assistance Program helps low-income families have a blessed Christmas with gifts, groceries, and financial peace of mind. To learn more and/or support either of these, please visit our outreach page: [stdave.org/outreach](http://stdave.org/outreach)
- Nominations for the vestry are now open! We are accepting nominations for five vestry positions for a three-year term. Expectations and requirements for nomination submission can be found on the web site, and also in your Advent pick-up, if you drove through on Saturday.
- More upcoming events are listed on the next page and on our web site – [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org)

## BLESSING

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ✠ **Amen.**

**POSTLUDE:** Prelude on ‘Once he came in blessing’

J.G. Walther

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We are most grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to connect to each other in these challenging times. Your gifts directly enable us to use modern technology to stay connected to each other and the world. St. David's depends on the ongoing support and care of committed members of our congregation like you.

Your generosity and commitment to St. David's will be processed and posted to your account. We want to respect your preferred way of giving:

- Checks

Please mail your check to the church. We are able to receive mail and deposit checks via a remote deposit check scanner. Our address is 301 E. 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

- Online [Click here to donate!](#)

If you experience a delay or connection issue during peak times on Sunday, please try giving at a later time or consider setting up a recurring donation through your bank. We apologize for this inconvenience.

- Text STDAVE to 73256.

- If you are not already giving, please consider making St. David's your giving priority this year.

Thank you for your generosity to God and St. David's Episcopal Church.

## ATTEND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

After this service, there will be formation for children, youth, and adults. Children and youth will find the link to register at [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org), and adults can register at [The Abbey at St. David's](#).

Today, children have chapel from 10-10:15 a.m., and then children's formation begins at 10:15 a.m.

Youth meet with Jenny Campbell, our Director of Youth Ministry, via Zoom, beginning at 10 a.m.

For the adults, the virtual Sunday Bible Study series on "The Angels, The Ladies, The Fellows, and the Babies" begins today. Join Father Chad for discussion of The Angels. Adults may also attend Men's Bible Study, The Middle Place, or Wisdom Ways. All begin at 10 a.m. and can be accessed from the web site and through The Abbey.

## UPCOMING EVENTS (All events happen virtually)

- High School EYC happens on Tues at 6 p.m., and Middle School EYC on Wed at 5:30 p.m.
- On Wed evening, you can join Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. and Bible study at 6:30 p.m.
- And, don't forget - Café Divine and Holy Grounds Curbside To-Go – Tues-Fri, place your order 4 a.m.-1 p.m., and pick up 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

## WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ST. DAVID'S?

If you want more information about the church, please email Amy Moehnke ([Amy.M@stdave.org](mailto:Amy.M@stdave.org)), our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, and she will get back to you very soon!